

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

*Please replace the last paragraph on page 21 with the following paragraph:*

200 parts by weight of isophorone diisocyanate, 0.2 part by weight of dibutyltin dilaurate as a catalyst and 0.13 part by weight of 2,6-di-t-butyl-4-methylphenol (BHT) as a polymerization inhibitor were charged in a flask, heated and stirred. Thereinto was dropped 234 parts by weight of 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate over 2 hours by using a dropping funnel while maintaining the temperature of the solution at 65°C to 75°C, and then, the resulting solution was further stirred at the same temperature for 8 hours to carry out the reaction. Completion of the reaction was determined by measuring the equivalent of isocyanate according to the titrimetric method. The reaction was completed at a point of time when not less than 97% of an isocyanate group was observed to be consumed. Furthermore, the identification of the product was carried out by H-NMR and mass spectrometry.

*Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 22, line 5 with following paragraph:*

The titled compound was obtained in the same manner as in Synthesis Example 1, except that 234 parts by weight of 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate used in Synthesis Example 1 was replaced by 259 parts by weight of 2-hydroxypropyl methacrylate. The identification of the product was carried out by H-NMR and mass spectrometry.

*Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 22, line 12 with following paragraph:*

The titled compound was obtained in the same manner as in Synthesis Example 1, except that 234 parts by weight of 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate used in Synthesis Example 1 was replaced by 234 parts by weight of 2-hydroxypropyl acrylate. The identification of the product was carried out by H-NMR and mass spectrometry.

*Please replace the Abstract with the following Abstract:*